

what I want to prevent. I don't think that without exception that just business leaders and people who have money should serve on public bodies. I do not think that house wives should be prevented from serving...

PRESIDENT: One minute Senator.

SENATOR NEWELL: Or that poor people should be prevented from serving on these public boards and I think they ought to be compensated. This is one more way we can compensate them. If we are frustrated with what they are doing, turn them out. Kick them out. You don't bite off your nose to spite your face and that is what the opponents of this bill are suggesting. I think that we ought to pass this bill. I think that it is beneficial. I think that they deserve some sort of compensation. We are talking about insurance, with the Bereuter amendment passed, we are just talking about insurance and nothing else. I don't think that that is too much to ask. Thank you.

PRESIDENT: Senator Cullan.

SENATOR CULLAN: Mr. Chairman, members of the legislature. I think that we have...the issue is very clear to all of us now and I would move the previous question.

PRESIDENT: Do I see five hands? I do. The question is shall the debate now cease. Record your vote. Please vote. Have you all voted? The question is shall debate now cease. Record Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 23 ayes, 7 nays.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, members of the legislature, I of course am going to speak in opposition to the motion to indefinitely postpone LB180. First of all there was no opposition at the time the bill was heard. Secondly we are dealing with a group of people here who are probably some of the most dedicated people that I have had the privilege of working with. I have never been on a Board of Directors for any power district, so I have no conflict of interest. I have sat with these people when they were in session and saw them deal with the complexity of public power and other areas like this in the State of Nebraska until midnight and even beyond. The sacrifice that they make that it is such that there are very few that are taking an interest in this anymore. A small benefit that we are giving them in this bill is certainly warranted even though we can't have it lets not deny it to some other people that deserve it like the people that serve on these boards. I think that we would be doing wrong and an injustice to these people by voting against this bill. I support the bill and I will vote against the killing of the bill.

PRESIDENT: Senator Simon.

SENATOR SIMON: Would Senator Goodrich yield to a couple of questions?

SENATOR GOODRICH: Yes.